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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS LA Healthcare Options

APRIL 28, 2009

In October 2008, The California Endowment created the Los Angeles Healthcare Options Task Force to develop a vision and recommendations for achieving a high quality integrated safety net healthcare delivery system in Los Angeles County. The Task Force included stakeholders representing hospitals, physicians, health advocates, organized labor, and the business community. The Task Force's report, *Achieving the Vision, Healthcare Options for Los Angeles*, presents analytical findings and recommendations for improving the quality and financial sustainability of the County's public sector healthcare delivery system. It identifies four categories for improving the healthcare system in Los Angeles: 1) quality care delivery, 2) finance, 3) information technology (IT), and 4) governance and management.

The report includes a focus on South Los Angeles and the proposed opening of a new Martin Luther King Jr. Hospital (MLK). It commends the three-way partnership among the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the University of California, and the Governor's office to create a new publicly-funded private hospital to replace MLK. It also makes recommendations on how the County can better ensure the new hospital's success by better integrating its inpatient, ambulatory and emergency services into a larger network of regional health care.

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I, THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Direct the Chief Executive Officer and the Acting Director of the Department of Health Services to report back to the Board in 60 days on the extent to which any of the recommendations within the LA Healthcare Options Task Force's report, *Achieving the Vision: Healthcare Options for Los Angeles*, should be implemented to strengthen the quality of health care provided to county residents, including those residents living within the region to be served by a new MLK hospital.

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